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NOTES

ABOUT THIS PUBLICATION

The aim of this publication is to provide users with a range of the latest statistics available at the end of each month of issue. Consequently, the dates and periods shown are not always the same for each table, but are in each case the latest figures available at that time.

SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT

Seasonal adjustment is a means of removing the estimated effects of normal seasonal variations from economic time series so that the effects of other influences are obvious. Seasonal variations are the systematic (though not necessarily regular) intra-year movements of economic time series. These are often the result of non-economic phenomena, such as climatic changes and regular religious festivals e.g. Christmas and Easter.

TREND ESTIMATE

Smoothing seasonally adjusted series produces a measure of trend by removing the impact of the irregular component of the series. The trend estimates are derived by applying a 13-term Henderson weighted moving average to the respective seasonally adjusted series. Readers are reminded that trend estimates are subject to revision as subsequent months' data become available.

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SYMBOLS AND OTHER USAGES

n.a. not available
n.p. not available for publication
p preliminary — figure or series subject to revision
r figure or series revised since previous issue
.. not applicable
— nil or rounded to zero

SELECTED FEATURES

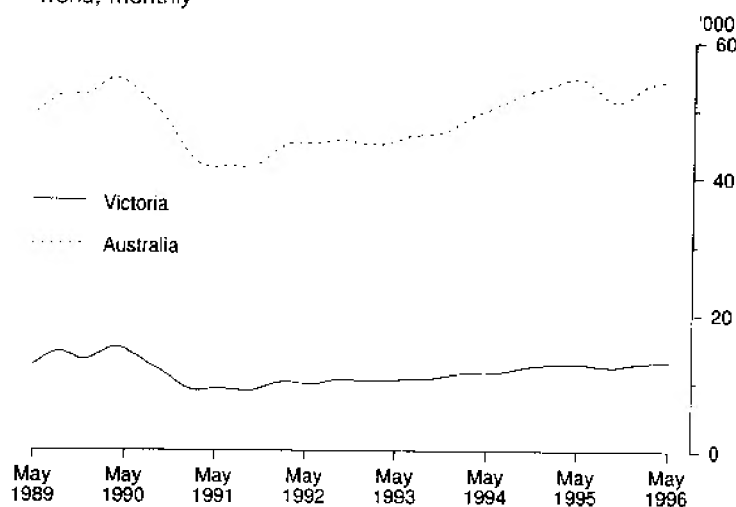
NEW MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS

The trend estimate of new motor vehicle registrations for Victoria in May 1996 (13,028), was virtually unchanged from the April figure (13,031). This is a slight levelling out of the trend which has been steadily increasing since September 1995. Victorian new motor vehicle registrations represent 24.0% of the Australian total (54,174).

The trend estimate of new motor vehicle registrations for Australia has been rising steadily since October 1995. The figure for May 1996 showed a slight decrease of 0.7% from May 1995 (54,548).

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS

Trend, monthly



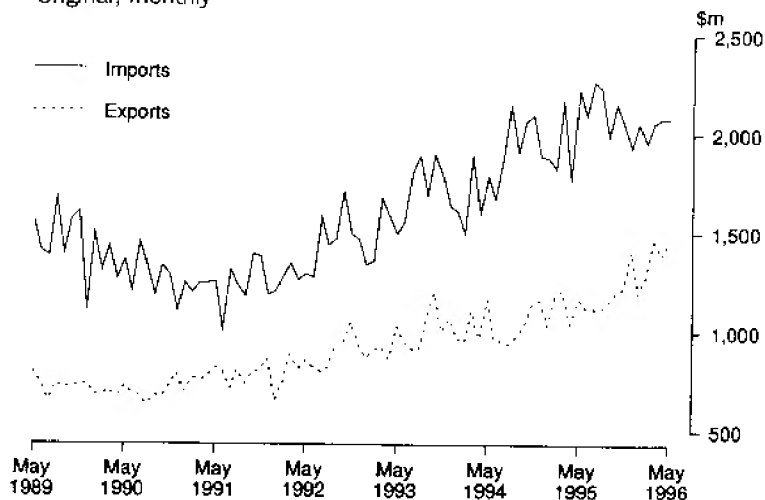
MERCHANDISE IMPORTS AND EXPORTS

The value of merchandise imports, in original terms, for Victoria from April to May 1996, remained steady at \$2,079 million, but decreased by 6.5% from May 1995. Imports into Victoria in May 1996 accounted for 30.9% of Australia's total imports of \$6,722 million.

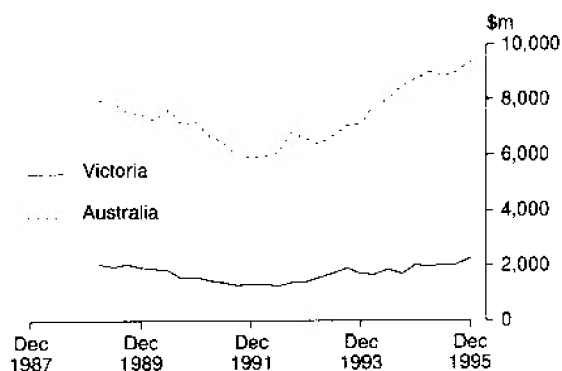
The value of merchandise exports, in original terms, for Victoria in May 1996 was \$1,457 million, an increase of 5.3% from April 1996, and an increase of 24.7% from May 1995. Exports from Victoria in May 1996 amounted to 22.5% of Australia's total exports of \$6,460 million.

MERCHANDISE IMPORTS AND EXPORTS

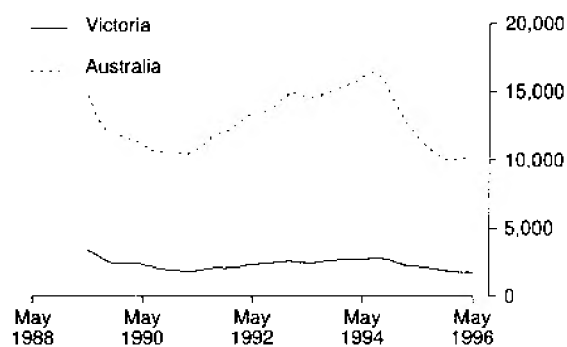
Original, monthly



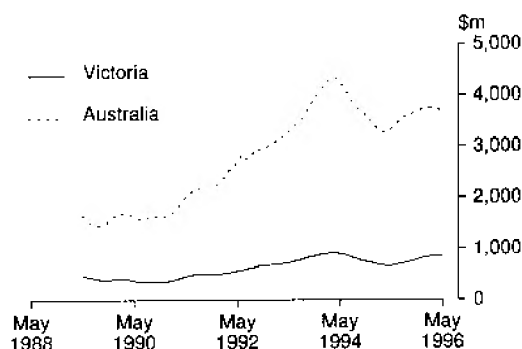
PRIVATE NEW CAPITAL EXPENDITURE
Seasonally adjusted, quarterly



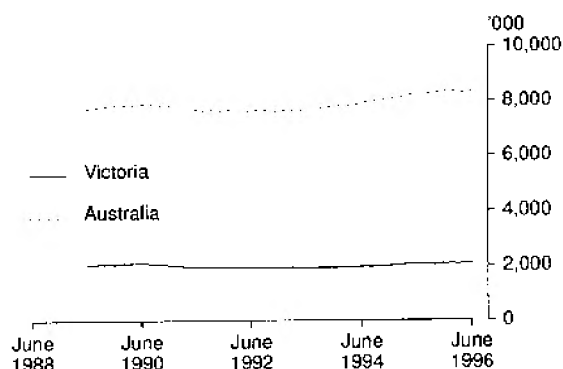
NEW DWELLING UNITS APPROVED
Trend, monthly



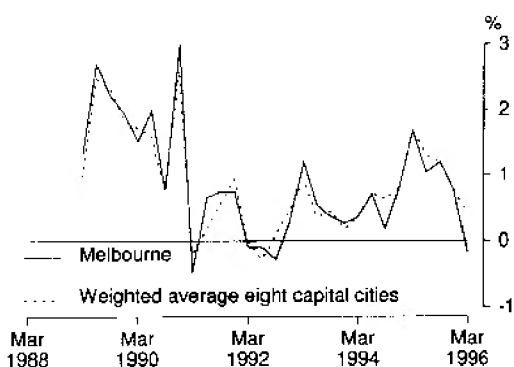
TOTAL VALUE OF SECURED HOUSING FINANCE COMMITMENTS TO INDIVIDUALS
Trend, monthly



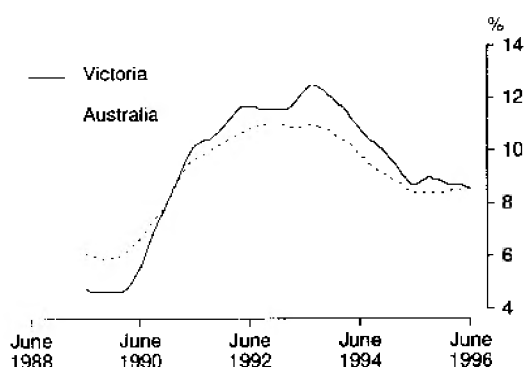
EMPLOYED PERSONS
Seasonally adjusted, monthly



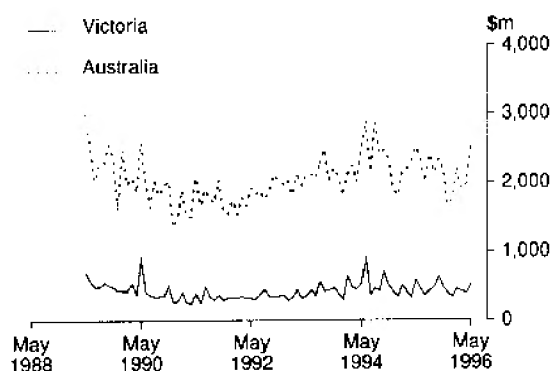
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
Change from previous quarter



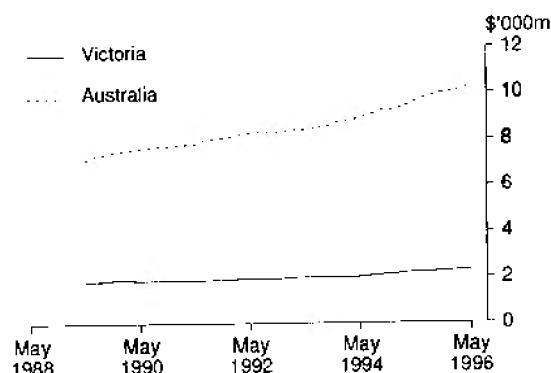
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE
Trend, monthly



VALUE OF ALL BUILDINGS APPROVED
Original, monthly



RETAIL TURNOVER
Trend, monthly



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ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION

| Period | At end of period | | | Increase during period | | Mean estimated resident population for year ended | | Melbourne Statistical Division at 30 June ¹ |
|-----------------|------------------|---------|---------|------------------------|-------|---|---------|--|
| | Males | Females | Persons | Natural | Total | 30 June | 31 Dec | |
| | '000 | | | | | | | |
| 1992-93 | 2 211.6 | 2 252.6 | 4 464.2 | 33.6 | 13.1 | 4 459.6 | 4 464.9 | 3 189.0 |
| 1993-94 | 2 216.4 | 2 259.1 | 4 475.5 | 32.4 | 11.3 | 4 469.6 | 4 477.4 | 3 198.2 |
| 1994-95 | 2 228.9 | 2 273.1 | 4 502.2 | 31.2 | 26.5 | 4 488.2 | 4 503.4 | 3 218.1 |
| 1991 - | | | | | | | | |
| December qtr | 2 198.6 | 2 236.6 | 4 435.2 | 8.4 | 5.6 | .. | .. | .. |
| 1992 - | | | | | | | | |
| March qtr | 2 203.9 | 2 241.8 | 4 445.7 | 9.2 | 10.5 | .. | .. | .. |
| June qtr | 2 206.4 | 2 244.5 | 4 451.0 | 8.0 | 5.3 | .. | .. | .. |
| September qtr | 2 208.6 | 2 247.3 | 4 455.8 | 8.2 | 4.8 | .. | .. | .. |
| December qtr | 2 209.8 | 2 249.7 | 4 459.4 | 8.5 | 3.6 | .. | .. | .. |
| 1993 - | | | | | | | | |
| March qtr | 2 212.0 | 2 252.5 | 4 464.4 | 8.8 | 5.0 | .. | .. | .. |
| June qtr | 2 211.6 | 2 252.6 | 4 464.2 | 8.1 | -0.2 | .. | .. | .. |
| September qtr | 2 212.4 | 2 254.1 | 4 466.5 | 7.7 | 2.3 | .. | .. | .. |
| December qtr | 2 213.2 | 2 255.6 | 4 468.8 | 8.3 | 2.3 | .. | .. | .. |
| 1994 - | | | | | | | | |
| March qtr | 2 215.5 | 2 257.8 | 4 473.2 | 8.8 | 4.4 | .. | .. | .. |
| June qtr | 2 216.4 | 2 259.1 | 4 475.5 | 7.6 | 2.2 | .. | .. | .. |
| September qtr p | 2 219.0 | 2 262.0 | 4 481.0 | 6.8 | 5.6 | .. | .. | .. |
| December qtr p | 2 221.1 | 2 264.8 | 4 485.9 | 7.8 | 4.9 | .. | .. | .. |
| 1995 - | | | | | | | | |
| March qtr p | 2 226.2 | 2 270.1 | 4 496.3 | 8.9 | 10.4 | .. | .. | .. |
| June qtr p | 2 228.9 | 2 273.1 | 4 502.0 | 7.6 | 5.7 | .. | .. | .. |
| September qtr p | 2 233.2 | 2 277.0 | 4 511.1 | 6.6 | 9.1 | .. | .. | .. |
| December qtr p | 2 237.9 | 2 283.9 | 4 521.8 | 6.9 | 10.6 | .. | .. | .. |

¹ Estimated resident population data for the Melbourne Statistical Division has been revised owing to boundary changes.

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BIRTHS, DEATHS, MARRIAGES AND DIVORCES

| Period | Number of registrations | | | | Annual rate per 1,000 of mean estimated resident population | | | | |
|-----------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------|----------|---|--------|-----------|----------|-------------------------------------|
| | Births | Deaths (including infant deaths) | Marriages | Divorces | Births | Deaths | Marriages | Divorces | Infant deaths per 1,000 live births |
| 1991-92 | 65 478 | 31 447 | 28 567 | 11 511 | 14.71 | 7.05 | 6.41 | 2.59 | 5.93 |
| 1992-93 | 65 542 | 31 111 | 27 943 | 10 371 | 14.70 | 6.98 | 6.26 | 2.32 | 5.71 |
| 1993-94 | 64 542 | 31 773 | 27 316 | 10 914 | 14.44 | 7.11 | 6.11 | 2.44 | 5.35 |
| 1993 - | | | | | | | | | |
| March qtr | 16 552 | 7 243 | 8 756 | 2 338 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| June qtr | 15 917 | 7 673 | 6 490 | 2 915 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| September qtr | 16 240 | 8 545 | 4 092 | 2 706 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| December qtr | 15 555 | 7 617 | 8 080 | 3 091 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Year - 1993 | 64 264 | 31 078 | 27 418 | 11 050 | 14.38 | 6.96 | 6.14 | 2.48 | 5.57 |
| 1994 - | | | | | | | | | |
| March qtr | 16 684 | 7 564 | 8 862 | 2 379 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| June qtr | 16 061 | 8 052 | 6 282 | 2 738 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| September qtr | 16 039 | 8 140 | 4 149 | 3 050 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| December qtr | 15 498 | 7 557 | 7 681 | 3 153 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Year - 1994 | 64 282 | 32 313 | 26 974 | 11 320 | 14.36 | 7.22 | 6.03 | 2.53 | 5.26 |
| 1995 - | | | | | | | | | |
| March qtr p | 16 564 | 7 608 | 8 884 | 2 625 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| June qtr p | 15 691 | 7 986 | 6 111 | 2 774 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| September qtr p | 15 663 | 8 745 | 3 880 | 3 132 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| December qtr p | 15 079 | 8 062 | 7 742 | 3 307 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Year - 1995 | 62 997 | 32 401 | 26 617 | 11 838 | 13.99 | 7.20 | 5.91 | 2.63 | 4.90 |

| Month | Employed | | Unemployed looking for work | | | Labour force | Not in labour force | Civilian population 15 years and over | Unemp- loyment rate | Partici- pation rate |
|-----------|---------------|---------|--------------------------------|---------------|-------|-----------------|---------------------------|--|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| | Full- time | Total | Full- time | Part- time | Total | | | | | |
| | '000 | '000 | '000 | '000 | '000 | | | | | |
| MALES | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1995 - | | | | | | | | | | |
| February | 1 040.6 | 1 166.5 | 115.1 | 15.8 | 130.9 | 1 297.4 | 435.1 | 1 732.5 | 10.1 | 74.9 |
| March | 1 037.9 | 1 170.3 | 103.1 | 13.7 | 116.8 | 1 287.2 | 446.9 | 1 734.0 | 9.1 | 74.2 |
| April | 1 041.0 | 1 169.1 | 99.3 | 12.3 | 111.6 | 1 280.7 | 454.9 | 1 735.6 | 8.7 | 73.8 |
| May | 1 035.7 | 1 166.4 | 103.6 | 13.0 | 116.5 | 1 282.9 | 454.3 | 1 737.1 | 9.1 | 73.9 |
| June | 1 034.5 | 1 164.3 | 101.9 | 10.8 | 112.6 | 1 276.9 | 461.8 | 1 738.7 | 8.8 | 73.4 |
| July | 1 037.1 | 1 165.2 | 105.7 | 12.2 | 118.0 | 1 283.2 | 456.6 | 1 739.8 | 9.2 | 73.8 |
| August | 1 029.5 | 1 161.7 | 99.8 | 12.1 | 111.9 | 1 273.6 | 467.3 | 1 741.0 | 8.8 | 73.2 |
| September | 1 048.4 | 1 168.6 | 103.5 | 18.4 | 121.9 | 1 290.5 | 451.6 | 1 742.1 | 9.4 | 74.1 |
| October | 1 044.8 | 1 164.6 | 101.7 | 14.2 | 116.0 | 1 280.6 | 462.8 | 1 743.4 | 9.1 | 73.5 |
| November | 1 047.7 | 1 171.1 | 94.6 | 11.8 | 106.4 | 1 277.5 | 467.3 | 1 744.8 | 8.3 | 73.2 |
| December | 1 069.5 | 1 195.3 | 101.1 | 12.9 | 114.0 | 1 309.4 | 436.7 | 1 746.1 | 8.7 | 75.0 |
| 1996 - | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 1 043.8 | 1 170.6 | 108.8 | 12.4 | 121.2 | 1 291.7 | 456.3 | 1 748.0 | 9.4 | 73.9 |
| February | 1 050.9 | 1 176.2 | 113.5 | 16.8 | 130.3 | 1 306.5 | 443.4 | 1 749.9 | 10.0 | 74.7 |
| March | 1 042.2 | 1 169.7 | 101.1 | 14.5 | 115.4 | 1 285.1 | 466.7 | 1 751.8 | 9.0 | 73.4 |
| April | 1 043.5 | 1 174.3 | 101.7 | 15.5 | 117.2 | 1 291.6 | 462.3 | 1 753.9 | 9.1 | 73.6 |
| May | 1 057.5 | 1 187.9 | 96.9 | 12.3 | 109.2 | 1 297.2 | 458.6 | 1 755.8 | 8.4 | 73.9 |
| FEMALES | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1995 - | | | | | | | | | | |
| February | 486.2 | 849.6 | 70.1 | 32.0 | 102.1 | 951.6 | 855.9 | 1 807.6 | 10.7 | 52.6 |
| March | 491.2 | 876.2 | 62.1 | 32.7 | 94.8 | 971.0 | 838.0 | 1 809.0 | 9.8 | 53.7 |
| April | 489.6 | 877.8 | 56.3 | 26.9 | 83.1 | 960.9 | 849.7 | 1 810.6 | 8.7 | 53.1 |
| May | 498.8 | 892.0 | 58.9 | 21.5 | 80.4 | 972.4 | 839.8 | 1 812.1 | 8.3 | 53.7 |
| June | 504.9 | 898.3 | 53.3 | 23.7 | 77.0 | 975.4 | 838.3 | 1 813.7 | 7.9 | 53.8 |
| July | 520.4 | 909.4 | 50.4 | 23.8 | 74.1 | 983.5 | 831.5 | 1 815.1 | 7.5 | 54.2 |
| August | 505.5 | 888.9 | 49.8 | 23.1 | 72.9 | 961.8 | 854.7 | 1 816.5 | 7.6 | 52.9 |
| September | 500.9 | 900.5 | 57.0 | 28.5 | 85.6 | 986.0 | 831.8 | 1 817.8 | 8.7 | 54.2 |
| October | 508.2 | 881.3 | 62.9 | 23.5 | 86.4 | 967.7 | 851.4 | 1 819.1 | 8.9 | 53.2 |
| November | 505.4 | 894.4 | 57.9 | 22.9 | 80.8 | 975.3 | 845.2 | 1 820.4 | 8.3 | 53.6 |
| December | 521.3 | 908.3 | 53.3 | 23.3 | 76.6 | 984.9 | 836.9 | 1 821.7 | 7.8 | 54.1 |
| 1996 - | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 501.3 | 876.0 | 59.6 | 27.8 | 87.4 | 963.4 | 860.1 | 1 823.6 | 9.1 | 52.8 |
| February | 497.5 | 882.1 | 68.9 | 31.2 | 100.1 | 982.2 | 843.2 | 1 825.4 | 10.2 | 53.8 |
| March | 501.5 | 892.0 | 56.3 | 30.7 | 87.0 | 979.0 | 848.2 | 1 827.2 | 8.9 | 53.6 |
| April | 507.4 | 894.3 | 57.8 | 32.2 | 90.1 | 984.4 | 845.0 | 1 829.4 | 9.1 | 53.8 |
| May | 516.1 | 904.3 | 56.3 | 26.0 | 82.3 | 986.6 | 845.0 | 1 831.6 | 8.3 | 53.9 |
| PERSONS | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1995 - | | | | | | | | | | |
| February | 1 526.8 | 2 016.1 | 187.1 | 47.8 | 233.0 | 2 249.0 | 1 291.0 | 3 540.1 | 10.4 | 63.5 |
| March | 1 529.2 | 2 046.5 | 165.2 | 46.4 | 211.6 | 2 258.1 | 1 284.9 | 3 543.0 | 9.4 | 63.7 |
| April | 1 530.6 | 2 046.8 | 155.6 | 39.1 | 194.8 | 2 241.6 | 1 304.6 | 3 546.2 | 8.7 | 63.2 |
| May | 1 534.4 | 2 058.3 | 162.5 | 34.4 | 196.9 | 2 255.2 | 1 294.0 | 3 549.3 | 8.7 | 63.5 |
| June | 1 539.3 | 2 062.6 | 155.2 | 34.5 | 189.7 | 2 252.3 | 1 300.1 | 3 552.4 | 8.4 | 63.4 |
| July | 1 557.5 | 2 074.7 | 156.1 | 36.0 | 192.1 | 2 266.7 | 1 288.2 | 3 554.9 | 8.5 | 63.8 |
| August | 1 535.0 | 2 050.6 | 149.5 | 35.3 | 184.8 | 2 235.4 | 1 322.0 | 3 557.4 | 8.3 | 62.8 |
| September | 1 549.3 | 2 069.1 | 160.5 | 47.0 | 207.5 | 2 276.6 | 1 283.3 | 3 559.9 | 9.1 | 64.0 |
| October | 1 553.0 | 2 046.0 | 164.6 | 37.7 | 202.4 | 2 248.3 | 1 314.2 | 3 562.6 | 9.0 | 63.1 |
| November | 1 553.1 | 2 065.5 | 152.6 | 34.7 | 187.2 | 2 252.7 | 1 312.5 | 3 565.2 | 8.3 | 63.2 |
| December | 1 590.8 | 2 103.6 | 154.4 | 36.2 | 190.6 | 2 294.2 | 1 273.6 | 3 567.8 | 8.3 | 64.3 |
| 1996 - | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 1 545.1 | 2 046.6 | 168.4 | 40.2 | 208.6 | 2 255.2 | 1 316.4 | 3 571.6 | 9.2 | 63.1 |
| February | 1 548.4 | 2 058.3 | 182.5 | 47.9 | 230.4 | 2 288.7 | 1 286.6 | 3 575.3 | 10.1 | 64.0 |
| March | 1 543.7 | 2 061.7 | 157.3 | 45.1 | 202.4 | 2 264.1 | 1 314.9 | 3 579.0 | 8.9 | 63.3 |
| April | 1 550.9 | 2 068.7 | 159.5 | 47.8 | 207.3 | 2 276.0 | 1 307.2 | 3 583.2 | 9.1 | 63.5 |
| May | 1 573.6 | 2 092.3 | 153.2 | 38.3 | 191.5 | 2 283.8 | 1 303.6 | 3 587.4 | 8.4 | 63.7 |

| | Feb 1995 | May 1995 | Aug 1995 | Nov 1995 | Feb 1996 | May 1996 |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Industry division | '000 | | | | | |
| MALES | | | | | | |
| Agriculture, forestry and fishing | 62.9 | 57.5 | 58.8 | 64.3 | 71.0 | 69.0 |
| Mining | 4.6 | 5.9 | 4.9 | *3.3 | *3.0 | *3.2 |
| Manufacturing | 257.5 | 243.8 | 251.6 | 249.6 | 242.4 | 249.7 |
| Electricity, gas and water supply | 14.5 | 20.0 | 18.4 | 15.9 | 13.6 | 13.3 |
| Construction | 112.5 | 114.1 | 112.8 | 110.3 | 118.2 | 123.1 |
| Wholesale trade | 91.7 | 95.0 | 86.1 | 92.2 | 87.4 | 94.1 |
| Retail trade | 151.5 | 149.9 | 150.2 | 148.8 | 152.8 | 151.7 |
| Accommodation, cafes and restaurants | 39.3 | 37.3 | 34.5 | 34.6 | 35.5 | 43.2 |
| Transport and storage | 72.5 | 72.8 | 70.0 | 77.4 | 81.6 | 76.6 |
| Communication services | 30.6 | 24.9 | 27.5 | 27.9 | 30.8 | 33.0 |
| Finance and insurance | 35.7 | 37.7 | 36.3 | 34.9 | 37.4 | 34.9 |
| Property and business services | 104.9 | 110.0 | 113.3 | 121.2 | 118.2 | 119.4 |
| Government administration and defence | 47.7 | 47.4 | 41.2 | 40.6 | 37.7 | 31.7 |
| Education | 46.3 | 48.7 | 50.4 | 45.3 | 46.2 | 46.6 |
| Health and community services | 38.3 | 42.3 | 42.0 | 40.4 | 39.8 | 42.0 |
| Cultural and recreational services | 19.7 | 24.0 | 26.8 | 25.3 | 23.8 | 21.7 |
| Personal and other services | 36.4 | 34.9 | 36.9 | 39.0 | 36.7 | 34.6 |
| Total | 1 166.5 | 1 166.4 | 1 161.7 | 1 171.1 | 1 176.2 | 1 187.9 |
| FEMALES | | | | | | |
| Agriculture, forestry and fishing | 25.9 | 30.1 | 32.1 | 26.3 | 31.3 | 29.0 |
| Mining | *1.0 | *1.8 | *1.3 | *1.3 | *0.6 | *1.0 |
| Manufacturing | 91.4 | 90.2 | 95.4 | 108.1 | 104.7 | 110.6 |
| Electricity, gas and water supply | *3.0 | *3.0 | *3.8 | *3.7 | *2.6 | *2.5 |
| Construction | 19.6 | 18.8 | 14.2 | 16.6 | 12.1 | 15.2 |
| Wholesale trade | 36.1 | 41.9 | 40.3 | 43.2 | 41.1 | 39.0 |
| Retail trade | 155.5 | 150.1 | 148.0 | 153.5 | 150.5 | 155.5 |
| Accommodation, cafes and restaurants | 43.4 | 43.9 | 46.2 | 44.7 | 39.3 | 48.3 |
| Transport and storage | 19.9 | 19.2 | 15.2 | 17.9 | 18.7 | 21.3 |
| Communication services | 12.5 | 12.1 | 13.6 | 15.3 | 18.4 | 18.9 |
| Finance and insurance | 46.3 | 48.8 | 51.0 | 43.3 | 45.2 | 45.5 |
| Property and business services | 84.3 | 92.8 | 92.8 | 91.6 | 90.3 | 88.7 |
| Government administration and defence | 37.2 | 41.5 | 39.9 | 41.2 | 45.4 | 39.7 |
| Education | 89.6 | 99.2 | 97.9 | 93.6 | 85.6 | 88.2 |
| Health and community services | 129.2 | 139.4 | 143.6 | 133.9 | 133.7 | 141.6 |
| Cultural and recreational services | 22.1 | 23.4 | 21.7 | 22.2 | 22.2 | 21.0 |
| Personal and other services | 32.5 | 36.0 | 31.9 | 38.1 | 40.4 | 38.4 |
| Total | 849.6 | 892.0 | 888.9 | 894.4 | 882.1 | 904.3 |
| PERSONS | | | | | | |
| Agriculture, forestry and fishing | 88.8 | 87.6 | 90.9 | 90.5 | 102.3 | 98.0 |
| Mining | 5.6 | 7.7 | 6.2 | 4.6 | *3.6 | *4.3 |
| Manufacturing | 348.9 | 334.0 | 347.0 | 357.7 | 347.1 | 360.2 |
| Electricity, gas and water supply | 17.5 | 23.0 | 22.1 | 19.6 | 16.1 | 15.8 |
| Construction | 132.2 | 132.9 | 127.0 | 126.9 | 130.3 | 138.2 |
| Wholesale trade | 127.8 | 136.9 | 126.4 | 135.4 | 128.5 | 133.1 |
| Retail trade | 307.0 | 300.0 | 298.2 | 302.3 | 303.3 | 307.2 |
| Accommodation, cafes and restaurants | 82.7 | 81.2 | 80.7 | 79.4 | 74.7 | 91.5 |
| Transport and storage | 92.4 | 92.1 | 85.2 | 95.3 | 100.3 | 97.9 |
| Communication services | 43.0 | 37.0 | 41.1 | 43.2 | 49.2 | 52.0 |
| Finance and insurance | 82.0 | 86.6 | 87.3 | 78.2 | 82.7 | 80.4 |
| Property and business services | 189.2 | 202.7 | 206.0 | 212.8 | 208.5 | 208.1 |
| Government administration and defence | 85.0 | 88.9 | 81.1 | 81.8 | 83.0 | 71.4 |
| Education | 136.0 | 147.9 | 148.4 | 138.9 | 131.8 | 134.8 |
| Health and community services | 167.5 | 181.7 | 185.6 | 174.2 | 173.5 | 183.6 |
| Cultural and recreational services | 41.8 | 47.4 | 48.6 | 47.5 | 46.0 | 42.7 |
| Personal and other services | 68.9 | 70.9 | 68.9 | 77.1 | 77.1 | 73.0 |
| Total | 2 016.1 | 2 058.3 | 2 050.8 | 2 065.5 | 2 058.3 | 2 092.3 |

* Estimate has a relative standard error greater than 25% and is therefore subject to sampling variability too high for most practical uses.

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JOB VACANCIES

| Month | Vacancies all persons | Industry ('000) | | Sector ('000) | | Job vacancy rate |
|-------------|--------------------------|--------------------|-------|---------------|---------|---------------------|
| | | Manu- facturing | Other | Public | Private | |
| | '000 | | | | | % |
| 1994 - | | | | | | |
| 20 May | 15.3 | 2.2 | 13.0 | 2.0 | 13.3 | 1.03 |
| 19 August | 12.5 | *4.0 | 8.5 | 2.0 | 10.5 | 0.72 |
| 18 November | 12.8 | *3.7 | 9.1 | 1.7 | 11.1 | 0.76 |
| 1995 - | | | | | | |
| 17 February | 13.5 | *3.5 | 10.0 | 2.1 | 11.4 | 0.82 |
| 19 May | 10.2 | 1.1 | 9.1 | 2.0 | 8.2 | 0.60 |
| 18 August | 10.6 | *2.6 | 8.0 | 1.8 | 8.8 | 0.64 |
| 17 November | 12.0 | 1.4 | 10.6 | 2.6 | 9.4 | 0.73 |
| 1996 - | | | | | | |
| 16 February | 16.7 | *2.3 | 14.5 | 3.4 | 13.3 | 0.96 |
| 17 May | 11.6 | *2.8 | 8.8 | 2.5 | 9.1 | 0.68 |

* Estimate has a relative standard error greater than 25% and is therefore subject to sampling variability too high for most practical uses.

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INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES CAUSING STOPPAGE OF WORK

| Period | Number of disputes | | Employees involved ('000) | | Working days lost ('000) | | | | |
|-----------|------------------------|-------|------------------------------|-------|--------------------------|-------------------|--|---------------------|-------|
| | Beginning in period | Total | Beginning in period | Total | Manu- facturing | Con- struction | Education, health, community services | Other industries | Total |
| 1995 - | | | | | | | | | |
| March | 13 | 17 | 3.2 | 4.7 | 9.1 | — | 0.3 | 0.6 | 10.0 |
| April | 11 | 16 | 5.3 | 6.6 | 2.6 | 1.6 | — | 9.1 | 13.3 |
| May | 10 | 13 | 14.3 | 15.4 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 16.5 | 2.2 | 19.1 |
| June | 8 | 11 | 5.8 | 18.5 | 0.8 | 4.2 | 11.5 | 1.4 | 17.9 |
| July | 8 | 14 | 3.7 | 5.1 | 1.0 | 1.5 | 0.7 | 3.8 | 7.0 |
| August | 11 | 17 | 6.0 | 8.3 | 2.7 | 0.2 | 2.5 | 10.6 | 16.1 |
| September | 3 | 10 | 0.4 | 2.3 | 0.4 | — | — | 10.2 | 10.6 |
| October | 9 | 14 | 26.0 | 26.5 | 2.4 | 8.5 | 0.1 | 3.4 | 14.4 |
| November | 2 | 4 | 1.7 | 2.0 | 3.2 | — | — | 1.6 | 4.8 |
| December | 8 | 8 | 2.3 | 2.3 | 0.1 | — | — | 1.8 | 1.8 |
| 1996 - | | | | | | | | | |
| January | n.p. | 3 | 0.2 | 1.0 | — | — | — | 1.1 | 1.1 |
| February | 7 | 8 | 9.4 | 9.4 | 2.8 | 1.0 | 0.1 | 3.5 | 7.4 |
| March | 11 | 14 | 4.5 | 6.9 | 0.2 | 2.3 | 0.2 | 8.9 | 11.6 |

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AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS OF EMPLOYEES (ORIGINAL SERIES)

| Reference period pay period ending on or before— | Males | | | Females | | | Persons | | |
|--|------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| | Full-time adults | | All males | Full-time adults | | All females | Full-time adults | | All employees |
| | Ordinary time earnings | Total earnings | Total earnings | Ordinary time earnings | Total earnings | Total earnings | Ordinary time earnings | Total earnings | Total earnings |
| | \$ | | | | | | | | |
| 1994 - | | | | | | | | | |
| 19 August | 651.70 | 716.60 | 641.70 | 545.20 | 559.10 | 417.20 | 615.20 | 662.70 | 542.20 |
| 18 November | 664.70 | 721.40 | 649.40 | 561.60 | 574.80 | 437.30 | 627.30 | 668.30 | 551.70 |
| 1995 - | | | | | | | | | |
| 17 February | 674.40 | 732.00 | 661.40 | 563.40 | 578.20 | 442.30 | 634.50 | 676.60 | 561.30 |
| 19 May | 680.10 | 737.30 | 664.60 | 576.10 | 590.00 | 435.40 | 643.20 | 685.10 | 558.50 |
| 18 August | 680.40 | 736.00 | 657.00 | 575.10 | 588.40 | 430.30 | 642.60 | 682.90 | 549.70 |
| 17 November | 692.00 | 750.20 | 672.50 | 579.10 | 595.00 | 432.60 | 653.60 | 697.40 | 563.60 |
| 1996 - | | | | | | | | | |
| 16 February | 695.70 | 756.10 | 675.50 | 588.10 | 600.00 | 440.70 | 659.40 | 703.50 | 570.30 |

| <i>Melbourne</i> | | | | | | | | | | Weighted average of eight capital cities - All groups |
|------------------|-------|----------|---------|--|--------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------|--|
| Period | Food | Clothing | Housing | Household equipment and operation | Trans- port- ation | Tobacco and alcohol | Health and personal care | Recre- ation and education | All groups | |
| 1992-93 | 106.3 | 107.8 | 93.1 | 108.3 | 112.7 | 122.7 | 129.8 | 110.8 | 108.9 | 108.4 |
| 1993-94 | 107.9 | 107.3 | 92.7 | 110.0 | 115.8 | 132.1 | 135.4 | 113.6 | 111.1 | 110.4 |
| 1994-95 | 110.1 | 107.4 | 97.5 | 111.1 | 118.8 | 137.3 | 142.4 | 116.7 | 114.1 | 113.9 |
| 1992 - | | | | | | | | | | |
| September qtr | 105.5 | 106.8 | 93.3 | 107.8 | 112.0 | 118.0 | 127.2 | 109.2 | 107.9 | 107.4 |
| December qtr | 105.5 | 108.3 | 92.3 | 108.6 | 112.0 | 118.8 | 128.5 | 110.2 | 108.2 | 107.9 |
| 1993 - | | | | | | | | | | |
| March qtr | 107.3 | 107.7 | 92.4 | 108.2 | 113.1 | 126.4 | 131.5 | 112.0 | 109.5 | 108.9 |
| June qtr | 107.0 | 108.4 | 94.5 | 108.7 | 113.7 | 127.7 | 132.1 | 111.9 | 110.1 | 109.3 |
| September qtr | 107.8 | 107.9 | 93.8 | 109.0 | 115.0 | 129.8 | 131.9 | 112.2 | 110.5 | 109.8 |
| December qtr | 108.1 | 107.5 | 92.4 | 109.3 | 115.8 | 131.7 | 132.9 | 113.3 | 110.8 | 110.0 |
| 1994 - | | | | | | | | | | |
| March qtr | 107.8 | 106.7 | 92.2 | 110.8 | 114.9 | 133.0 | 137.4 | 114.1 | 111.2 | 110.4 |
| June qtr | 107.9 | 106.9 | 92.4 | 110.8 | 117.5 | 134.0 | 139.2 | 114.8 | 112.0 | 111.2 |
| September qtr | 108.6 | 107.0 | 92.7 | 110.3 | 118.4 | 134.0 | 139.8 | 114.9 | 112.2 | 111.9 |
| December qtr | 108.8 | 107.4 | 95.0 | 110.9 | 118.5 | 134.7 | 140.8 | 116.4 | 113.1 | 112.8 |
| 1995 - | | | | | | | | | | |
| March qtr | 111.2 | 107.0 | 100.4 | 111.5 | 118.5 | 137.1 | 143.4 | 117.9 | 115.0 | 114.7 |
| June qtr | 111.7 | 108.2 | 102.0 | 111.8 | 119.9 | 143.5 | 145.5 | 117.5 | 116.2 | 116.2 |
| September qtr | 113.5 | 107.7 | 102.4 | 112.5 | 122.4 | 149.5 | 146.0 | 118.0 | 117.6 | 117.6 |
| December qtr | 114.0 | 108.1 | 102.8 | 113.1 | 122.5 | 153.3 | 148.4 | 120.1 | 118.5 | 118.5 |
| 1996 - | | | | | | | | | | |
| March qtr | 113.6 | 107.9 | 99.8 | 112.6 | 121.9 | 156.0 | 150.2 | 122.4 | 118.3 | 119.0 |

(Base of each group: year 1989-90 = 100.0)

| Group | | | | | 1996 | | | Weighted average of six State capital cities- April |
|---|---------|---------|---------|--|-------|-------|-------|---|
| | 1992-93 | 1993-94 | 1994-95 | | Feb | Mar | Apr | |
| House building (Base year: 1989-90 = 100.0) ¹ | | | | | | | | |
| All groups | 105.7 | 112.1 | 115.9 | | 115.1 | 114.8 | 114.9 | 115.3 |
| Other than house building (Base year: 1989-90 = 100.0) | | | | | | | | |
| Structural timber | 103.2 | 119.5 | 123.0 | | 115.5 | 112.8 | 112.4 | 117.6 |
| Clay bricks | 108.5 | 109.3 | 112.3 | | 111.3 | 111.3 | 111.3 | 108.1 |
| Ready mixed concrete | 108.2 | 123.4 | 124.2 | | 118.7 | 115.5 | 115.3 | 106.5 |
| Precast concrete products | 99.5 | 99.2 | 104.8 | | 108.1 | 107.8 | 107.9 | 115.2 |
| Steel decking and cladding | 109.0 | 104.7 | 106.5 | | 112.6 | 112.6 | 112.6 | 112.6 |
| Structural steel | 91.3 | 93.3 | 95.3 | | 102.3 | 102.3 | 102.3 | 110.3 |
| Reinforcing steel bar, mesh, etc. | 99.2 | 102.0 | 101.8 | | 103.2 | 102.5 | 100.2 | 110.8 |
| Aluminium windows | 96.0 | 96.5 | 98.8 | | 100.8 | 100.8 | 100.8 | 108.2 |
| Fabricated steel products | 108.4 | 109.4 | 110.7 | | 113.0 | 113.0 | 113.4 | 112.3 |
| Builders' hardware | 117.2 | 116.2 | 113.7 | | 114.1 | 114.1 | 114.1 | 121.7 |
| Sand and aggregate | 113.8 | 119.5 | 118.5 | | 114.6 | 114.6 | 114.6 | 118.5 |
| Carpet | 98.8 | 98.3 | 98.5 | | 101.9 | 102.4 | 102.4 | 103.5 |
| Paint and other coatings | 118.8 | 125.0 | 131.2 | | 142.4 | 141.1 | 140.8 | 129.7 |
| Non-ferrous pipes and fittings | 90.9 | 86.5 | 100.8 | | 112.0 | 112.0 | 112.0 | 128.3 |
| All groups excluding electrical materials and mechanical services | 103.4 | 106.6 | 108.5 | | 110.1 | 109.4 | 109.5 | 111.9 |
| All electrical materials | 108.9 | 107.3 | 113.5 | | 120.8 | 119.7 | 119.6 | 118.6 |
| All mechanical services | 105.5 | 106.8 | 108.9 | | 114.4 | 115.3 | 115.8 | 114.7 |
| All plumbing materials | 104.0 | 105.3 | 112.6 | | 119.1 | 119.2 | 119.1 | 122.7 |
| All groups | 104.4 | 106.7 | 108.9 | | 111.6 | 111.1 | 111.3 | 112.7 |

¹ This Index has been compiled on the basis of a revised list of items and updated weighting pattern. The reference base of the index has been updated to 1989-90=100.0. See Appendices in December 1995 issue of *Price Index of Materials Used in House Building* (6408.0).

| | <i>Cattle</i> | <i>Calves</i> | <i>Sheep</i> | <i>Lambs</i> | <i>Pigs</i> | <i>Chickens</i> |
|---------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|-----------------|
| <i>Period</i> | <i>'000</i> | | | | | |
| 1992-93 | 1 365.8 | 608.5 | 3 722.6 | 6 288.1 | 1 070.8 | 78 614.7 |
| 1993-94 | 1 393.9 | 583.4 | 3 975.9 | 5 600.8 | 1 188.5 | 85 797.9 |
| 1994-95 | 1 445.6 | 641.3 | 3 202.6 | 6 263.8 | 1 196.6 | 79 799.4 |
| 1994 - | | | | | | |
| July | 103.7 | 79.7 | 187.7 | 507.5 | 91.8 | 6 413.1 |
| August | 103.9 | 170.0 | 202.8 | 568.8 | 99.1 | 6 105.1 |
| September | 122.2 | 121.7 | 246.5 | 574.9 | 110.1 | 6 364.0 |
| October | 125.1 | 69.4 | 327.0 | 581.8 | 101.6 | 6 874.2 |
| November | 119.4 | 23.5 | 401.0 | 571.6 | 97.6 | 5 882.2 |
| December | 122.3 | 7.9 | 351.7 | 516.6 | 104.9 | 9 646.3 |
| 1995 - | | | | | | |
| January | 102.6 | 5.8 | 330.5 | 464.5 | 88.9 | 6 548.4 |
| February | 117.7 | 4.8 | 330.6 | 478.4 | 89.9 | 6 200.2 |
| March | 130.7 | 11.0 | 295.1 | 522.7 | 106.7 | 6 731.2 |
| April | 112.5 | 24.3 | 182.6 | 464.2 | 84.3 | 6 520.6 |
| May | 137.7 | 47.6 | 186.2 | 512.0 | 114.9 | 6 208.8 |
| June | 133.7 | 74.2 | 147.3 | 453.2 | 106.7 | 6 305.2 |
| July | 113.5 | 81.6 | 150.0 | 449.5 | 87.9 | 6 528.3 |
| August | 114.0 | 137.0 | 160.7 | 494.8 | 100.5 | 5 966.2 |
| September | 106.2 | 119.3 | 197.4 | 524.5 | 93.2 | 6 547.5 |
| October | 131.6 | 53.8 | 279.5 | 614.9 | 97.1 | 6 470.1 |
| November | 142.5 | 19.9 | 279.3 | 578.7 | 96.6 | 6 064.2 |
| December | 125.7 | 9.7 | 208.8 | 485.2 | 101.2 | 7 232.2 |
| 1996 - | | | | | | |
| January | 142.6 | 7.7 | 247.2 | 498.1 | 90.3 | 7 100.2 |
| February | 145.9 | 5.3 | 261.0 | 464.2 | 92.4 | 6 275.4 |
| March | 132.2 | 8.4 | 220.8 | 454.4 | 92.6 | 6 722.5 |
| April r | 115.5 | 28.2 | 196.1 | 459.1 | 94.4 | 6 466.7 |
| May | 128.9 | 47.7 | 157.4 | 499.8 | 107.1 | 6 957.9 |

| | <i>Meat (carcass weight)</i> | | | | | <i>Dressed weight of chickens</i> |
|---------------|------------------------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|----------------|-----------------------------------|
| | <i>Beef</i> | <i>Veal</i> | <i>Mutton</i> | <i>Lamb</i> | <i>Pigmeat</i> | |
| <i>Period</i> | <i>tonnes</i> | | | | | |
| 1992-93 | 299 907 | 14 948 | 81 907 | 113 220 | 70 535 | 114 587 |
| 1993-94 | 315 279 | 13 466 | 85 010 | 101 386 | 78 488 | 123 529 |
| 1994-95 | 320 510 | 14 320 | 63 608 | 110 138 | 84 411 | 110 971 |
| 1994 - | | | | | | |
| July | 23 328 | 1 859 | 3 987 | 9 189 | 6 289 | 10 231 |
| August | 20 893 | 3 375 | 3 840 | 9 726 | 6 814 | 8 947 |
| September | 25 307 | 2 721 | 5 026 | 9 785 | 7 379 | 9 126 |
| October | 27 899 | 1 502 | 6 775 | 10 295 | 7 165 | 9 574 |
| November | 26 809 | 581 | 8 148 | 10 028 | 7 216 | 8 051 |
| December | 27 469 | 275 | 6 956 | 8 995 | 7 303 | 9 896 |
| 1995 - | | | | | | |
| January | 23 167 | 226 | 6 467 | 8 244 | 6 182 | 8 879 |
| February | 25 760 | 203 | 6 431 | 8 525 | 6 187 | 9 222 |
| March | 29 632 | 328 | 5 578 | 9 378 | 7 471 | 9 995 |
| April | 25 434 | 582 | 3 478 | 7 884 | 5 991 | 9 294 |
| May | 30 426 | 1 072 | 3 695 | 9 183 | 8 409 | 8 921 |
| June | 30 983 | 1 572 | 2 917 | 7 991 | 8 005 | 8 835 |
| July | 25 310 | 1 642 | 2 979 | 7 997 | 6 564 | 9 180 |
| August | 23 804 | 2 773 | 3 240 | 8 997 | 7 400 | 9 350 |
| September | 23 831 | 2 416 | 4 092 | 9 741 | 6 930 | 9 703 |
| October | 30 513 | 1 170 | 5 850 | 11 474 | 7 081 | 9 669 |
| November | 33 584 | 496 | 5 903 | 10 771 | 7 021 | 9 005 |
| December | 28 778 | 295 | 4 363 | 9 112 | 7 130 | 10 692 |
| 1996 - | | | | | | |
| January | 34 722 | 251 | 5 080 | 9 511 | 6 525 | 9 801 |
| February | 33 838 | 211 | 5 324 | 8 870 | 6 742 | 9 219 |
| March | 30 860 | 271 | 4 425 | 8 544 | 6 677 | 9 833 |
| April r | 26 877 | 654 | 3 952 | 8 504 | 6 618 | 9 482 |
| May | 29 845 | 1 031 | 3 140 | 9 589 | 8 044 | 9 614 |

| Period | New dwelling units ¹ | | | | | | Alter- ations and additions to residential buildings | Non-residential building ² | | Total all building |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------|---------------|---------|--------------------|-----------|--|--|-----------|-----------------------|
| | Private sector | | Public sector | | Total ³ | | | Private sector | Total | |
| | Value | | Value | | Value | | | | | |
| | No. | \$'000 | No. | \$'000 | No. | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | |
| MELBOURNE STATISTICAL DIVISION | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1992-93 | 18 949 | 1 663 728 | 886 | 52 930 | 19 835 | 1 716 658 | 429 731 | 858 160 | 1 138 241 | 3 284 630 |
| 1993-94 | 20 798 | 1 925 655 | 999 | 71 616 | 21 797 | 1 997 271 | 509 231 | 1 619 834 | 2 138 618 | 4 645 121 |
| 1994-95 | 20 916 | 2 113 075 | 888 | 69 830 | 21 804 | 2 182 905 | 571 937 | 1 072 307 | 1 655 767 | 4 410 610 |
| 1994 - | | | | | | | | | | |
| October | 2 041 | 199 201 | 59 | 3 699 | 2 100 | 202 900 | 85 991 | 117 537 | 296 755 | 585 646 |
| November | 2 073 | 198 840 | 134 | 9 618 | 2 207 | 208 457 | 48 868 | 107 606 | 149 066 | 406 391 |
| December | 1 860 | 239 867 | 62 | 5 910 | 1 922 | 245 777 | 27 551 | 54 702 | 72 260 | 345 588 |
| 1995 - | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 1 231 | 117 579 | 88 | 7 792 | 1 319 | 125 371 | 26 662 | 93 066 | 124 920 | 276 953 |
| February | 1 560 | 149 489 | 133 | 9 118 | 1 693 | 158 607 | 45 869 | 149 770 | 218 203 | 422 679 |
| March | 1 473 | 135 412 | 77 | 7 725 | 1 550 | 143 137 | 70 084 | 84 976 | 106 011 | 319 232 |
| April | 1 386 | 135 001 | 10 | 809 | 1 396 | 135 810 | 30 202 | 59 713 | 91 186 | 257 197 |
| May | 1 935 | 226 429 | 121 | 12 348 | 2 056 | 238 777 | 51 528 | 118 061 | 188 796 | 479 101 |
| June | 1 515 | 147 831 | 109 | 6 911 | 1 624 | 154 742 | 41 079 | 84 364 | 156 102 | 351 923 |
| July | 1 403 | 136 198 | 92 | 6 069 | 1 495 | 142 267 | 32 787 | 80 942 | 94 679 | 269 734 |
| August | 1 421 | 140 179 | 151 | 13 079 | 1 572 | 153 259 | 37 489 | 87 940 | 144 659 | 335 406 |
| September | 1 669 | 171 719 | 19 | 2 964 | 1 688 | 174 683 | 38 184 | 125 424 | 188 544 | 401 411 |
| October | 1 328 | 145 420 | 88 | 5 987 | 1 416 | 151 407 | 41 681 | 286 938 | 343 823 | 536 911 |
| November | 1 260 | 129 278 | 237 | 19 841 | 1 497 | 149 119 | 41 864 | 110 035 | 159 057 | 350 039 |
| December | 1 234 | 138 352 | 96 | 6 197 | 1 330 | 144 549 | 31 977 | 95 745 | 137 515 | 314 041 |
| 1996 - | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 923 | 91 406 | 88 | 5 655 | 1 011 | 97 061 | 32 956 | 64 115 | 125 521 | 255 538 |
| February | 1 270 | 146 592 | 41 | 5 357 | 1 311 | 151 948 | 40 914 | 114 798 | 126 454 | 319 317 |
| March | 1 134 | 115 757 | 60 | 4 616 | 1 194 | 120 374 | 49 755 | 66 635 | 152 863 | 322 992 |
| April | 1 179 | 116 956 | 133 | 12 336 | 1 310 | 129 291 | 44 812 | 89 466 | 136 592 | 310 695 |
| May | 1 405 | 146 542 | 44 | 3 336 | 1 449 | 149 878 | 39 062 | 153 840 | 221 049 | 409 988 |
| TOTAL VICTORIA | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1992-93 | 28 155 | 2 408 177 | 1 416 | 85 963 | 29 571 | 3 027 181 | 533 042 | 1 066 219 | 1 406 261 | 4 433 442 |
| 1993-94 | 30 336 | 2 718 022 | 1 414 | 99 663 | 31 750 | 2 817 685 | 623 548 | 1 853 551 | 2 502 670 | 5 943 903 |
| 1994-95 | 28 509 | 2 771 998 | 1 409 | 101 789 | 29 918 | 2 873 788 | 685 062 | 1 274 683 | 1 975 197 | 5 534 047 |
| 1994 - | | | | | | | | | | |
| October | 2 708 | 256 386 | 68 | 4 246 | 2 776 | 260 632 | 94 900 | 133 972 | 347 271 | 702 803 |
| November | 2 864 | 267 116 | 167 | 11 597 | 3 031 | 278 713 | 59 966 | 121 186 | 173 754 | 512 433 |
| December | 2 389 | 288 674 | 122 | 9 588 | 2 511 | 298 262 | 34 585 | 64 119 | 89 161 | 422 009 |
| 1995 - | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 1 670 | 156 157 | 113 | 9 289 | 1 783 | 165 446 | 33 352 | 105 670 | 152 660 | 351 457 |
| February | 2 077 | 195 776 | 183 | 12 211 | 2 260 | 207 987 | 54 539 | 160 034 | 237 605 | 500 131 |
| March | 2 112 | 190 960 | 114 | 10 043 | 2 226 | 201 003 | 80 834 | 105 401 | 132 093 | 413 929 |
| April | 1 825 | 173 579 | 50 | 3 245 | 1 875 | 176 824 | 40 442 | 76 600 | 118 649 | 335 915 |
| May | 2 516 | 279 956 | 154 | 14 272 | 2 670 | 294 229 | 62 740 | 153 918 | 230 951 | 587 920 |
| June | 2 108 | 199 955 | 186 | 12 631 | 2 294 | 212 586 | 50 786 | 104 004 | 181 425 | 444 797 |
| July | 1 879 | 179 571 | 162 | 9 712 | 2 041 | 189 283 | 41 048 | 111 685 | 131 436 | 361 767 |
| August | 1 935 | 185 868 | 163 | 13 784 | 2 098 | 199 652 | 46 875 | 117 115 | 180 525 | 427 053 |
| September | 2 100 | 211 712 | 31 | 3 736 | 2 131 | 215 448 | 47 450 | 154 641 | 227 509 | 490 407 |
| October | 1 877 | 195 307 | 124 | 8 187 | 2 001 | 203 494 | 53 811 | 307 906 | 382 126 | 639 430 |
| November | 1 815 | 180 232 | 268 | 22 841 | 2 083 | 203 073 | 52 733 | 137 562 | 212 939 | 468 745 |
| December | 1 647 | 174 617 | 108 | 7 642 | 1 755 | 182 259 | 41 127 | 114 949 | 172 420 | 395 806 |
| 1996 - | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 1 380 | 134 038 | 116 | 7 579 | 1 496 | 141 617 | 40 928 | 95 411 | 163 531 | 346 077 |
| February | 1 787 | 193 111 | 50 | 5 878 | 1 837 | 198 989 | 49 820 | 182 677 | 200 083 | 448 893 |
| March | 1 691 | 167 353 | 90 | 6 918 | 1 781 | 174 271 | 63 101 | 89 203 | 185 598 | 422 971 |
| April | 1 634 | 161 704 | 153 | 13 595 | 1 787 | 175 299 | 55 336 | 107 571 | 164 740 | 395 375 |
| May | 1 937 | 195 855 | 95 | 6 568 | 2 032 | 202 423 | 53 057 | 184 314 | 259 057 | 514 538 |

¹ Valued at \$10,000 and over.² Valued at \$50,000 and over.³ Excludes dwelling units created as a result of conversions of buildings or construction of non-residential buildings.

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NEW HOUSES AND OTHER RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS: NUMBER OF DWELLING UNITS

| | New houses | | | | New other residential buildings | | | |
|----------------|------------|-----------|--------------------|-----------|---------------------------------|-----------|--------------------|-----------|
| | Approved | Commenced | Under construction | Completed | Approved | Commenced | Under construction | Completed |
| 1992-93 | 27 158 | 25 717 | 11 772 | 25 099 | 2 413 | 2 438 | 2 022 | 2 566 |
| 1993-94 | 28 057 | 27 904 | 12 362 | 27 118 | 3 693 | 3 582 | 2 355 | 3 209 |
| 1994-95 | 25 885 | 25 846 | 10 668 | 27 380 | 4 033 | 3 612 | 2 765 | 2 892 |
| 1994 - | | | | | | | | |
| September qtr | 7 792 | 7 098 | 12 477 | 6 984 | 700 | 707 | 2 351 | 702 |
| December qtr | 7 035 | 7 521 | 11 931 | 8 006 | 1 283 | 909 | 2 259 | 995 |
| 1995 - | | | | | | | | |
| March qtr | 5 491 | 5 494 | 11 080 | 6 311 | 778 | 929 | 2 606 | 580 |
| June qtr | 5 567 | 5 734 | 10 668 | 6 079 | 1 272 | 1 067 | 2 765 | 615 |
| September qtr | 5 501 | 5 836 | 10 190 | 6 267 | 767 | 713 | 2 786 | 846 |
| December qtr p | 4 954 | 5 182 | 8 845 | 6 510 | 885 | 990 | 2 757 | 1 019 |

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VALUE OF BUILDING

| Period | Residential buildings | | Non-residential buildings | | | | | | |
|----------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|-----------|---------|-----------|--------|---------|---------|
| | New | Alterations and additions | Shops | Factories | Offices | Education | Health | Other | Total |
| | \$m | | | | | | | | |
| | COMMENCED | | | | | | | | |
| 1992-93 | 2 428.2 | 561.5 | 189.4 | 186.9 | 243.4 | 178.5 | 273.4 | 446.7 | 4 508.1 |
| 1993-94 | 2 876.5 | 700.0 | 456.6 | 227.1 | 273.6 | 211.2 | 240.0 | 1 120.8 | 6 105.7 |
| 1994-95 | 2 907.7 | 678.6 | 323.4 | 211.4 | 384.2 | 293.3 | 140.8 | 583.8 | 5 523.2 |
| 1994 - | | | | | | | | | |
| December qtr | 808.1 | 181.9 | 96.4 | 67.5 | 79.7 | 102.3 | 37.4 | 236.7 | 1 610.1 |
| 1995 - | | | | | | | | | |
| March qtr | 666.7 | 156.8 | 111.3 | 36.9 | 118.6 | 49.3 | 30.4 | 122.9 | 1 292.9 |
| June qtr | 700.7 | 175.9 | 63.6 | 50.8 | 110.5 | 94.6 | 31.7 | 127.5 | 1 355.3 |
| September qtr | 639.2 | 165.5 | 162.7 | 52.4 | 101.0 | 56.3 | 19.3 | 209.4 | 1 405.9 |
| December qtr p | 662.2 | 166.1 | 89.2 | 60.1 | 115.5 | 109.4 | 30.0 | 185.2 | 1 418.0 |
| | UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT END OF PERIOD | | | | | | | | |
| 1992-93 | 1 294.7 | 243.2 | 79.1 | 347.7 | 877.9 | 132.1 | 412.6 | 345.7 | 3 733.0 |
| 1993-94 | 1 474.8 | 360.6 | 415.7 | 165.1 | 140.7 | 144.4 | 539.9 | 950.9 | 4 192.0 |
| 1994-95 | 1 450.8 | 354.3 | 480.6 | 142.9 | 241.9 | 217.3 | 251.0 | 1 092.6 | 4 231.4 |
| 1994 - | | | | | | | | | |
| December qtr | 1 471.3 | 346.4 | 401.9 | 173.3 | 160.4 | 183.4 | 296.7 | 1 056.5 | 4 089.8 |
| 1995 - | | | | | | | | | |
| March qtr | 1 466.0 | 352.4 | 472.8 | 153.7 | 221.8 | 171.9 | 268.2 | 1 021.5 | 4 128.3 |
| June qtr | 1 450.8 | 354.3 | 480.6 | 142.9 | 241.9 | 217.3 | 251.0 | 1 092.6 | 4 231.4 |
| September qtr | 1 441.0 | 335.0 | 335.7 | 145.1 | 250.8 | 247.5 | 151.5 | 1 212.1 | 4 118.7 |
| December qtr p | 1 360.0 | 295.5 | 325.9 | 111.0 | 175.4 | 246.6 | 124.0 | 1 269.2 | 3 907.7 |
| | COMPLETED | | | | | | | | |
| 1992-93 | 2 412.5 | 583.5 | 289.7 | 380.5 | 1 395.5 | 222.2 | 107.4 | 407.1 | 5 798.5 |
| 1993-94 | 2 725.1 | 601.3 | 182.5 | 424.0 | 1 056.7 | 201.0 | 113.3 | 517.7 | 5 821.7 |
| 1994-95 | 2 882.5 | 709.8 | 313.6 | 253.1 | 290.7 | 228.8 | 387.3 | 521.5 | 5 587.3 |
| 1994 - | | | | | | | | | |
| December qtr | 853.1 | 223.6 | 94.9 | 73.2 | 91.1 | 70.1 | 112.6 | 124.5 | 1 643.0 |
| 1995 - | | | | | | | | | |
| March qtr | 678.2 | 155.0 | 32.5 | 58.6 | 62.2 | 60.2 | 48.8 | 164.2 | 1 259.7 |
| June qtr | 636.1 | 179.2 | 116.9 | 64.7 | 91.2 | 53.6 | 48.1 | 109.0 | 1 298.7 |
| September qtr | 656.7 | 184.6 | 322.7 | 49.3 | 95.9 | 28.2 | 122.1 | 118.5 | 1 577.9 |
| December qtr p | 759.6 | 209.9 | 110.4 | 95.8 | 192.4 | 112.9 | 56.0 | 188.7 | 1 725.8 |

| | Budget Estimate 1995-96 | Actual 7 months to 31.1.1996 | Actual 7 months to 31.1.1995 |
|---|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| | \$m | | |
| Departmental outlays | | | |
| Agriculture, energy and minerals | 154.1 | 84.7 | 63.8 |
| Arts, sport, and tourism | 291.8 | 159.0 | 140.9 |
| Business and employment | 252.2 | 142.4 | 96.0 |
| Conservation and natural resources | 326.5 | 164.1 | 150.1 |
| Education | 3 434.6 | 2 149.1 | 2 024.6 |
| Health and community services | 4 459.8 | 2 508.2 | 2 277.5 |
| Justice | 1 234.5 | 686.9 | 716.4 |
| Parliament | 51.7 | 27.8 | 23.5 |
| Planning and development | 472.6 | 191.7 | 203.8 |
| Premier and cabinet | 48.2 | 26.7 | 22.8 |
| Transport | 1 471.7 | 948.7 | 776.1 |
| Treasurer and finance | 3 416.5 | -679.4 | 780.4 |
| Commonwealth grants on-passed | 833.0 | 423.3 | 614.6 |
| Total | 16 447.2 | 6 833.2 | 7 890.5 |
| less | | | |
| Superannuation contributions | 103.0 | 95.0 | 178.7 |
| Capital charge received | 172.3 | 127.0 | 29.7 |
| Payroll tax paid by departments | 242.9 | 138.8 | 133.0 |
| Total departmental outlays | 15 929.0 | 6 472.5 | 7 548.9 |
| Current outlays | 14 292.6 | 7 874.6 | 7 484.7 |
| Capital outlays | 1 636.5 | -1 402.1 | 64.2 |
| Revenue and grants received | | | |
| Revenue | | | |
| Taxes, fees and fines | | | |
| Payroll tax | 1 972.0 | 1 174.4 | 1 079.8 |
| Stamp duty on financial and capital transactions | 925.0 | 554.6 | 583.7 |
| State deficit levy on rateable properties | 4.6 | 5.9 | 21.1 |
| Financial institutions transaction taxes | 577.2 | 336.6 | 327.5 |
| Franchise fees | 1 234.1 | 763.5 | 611.9 |
| Motor vehicle taxes | 834.9 | 476.6 | 463.0 |
| Land taxes | 395.8 | 26.3 | 29.5 |
| Gambling taxes | 961.1 | 605.4 | 523.1 |
| Public authority contribution | 309.0 | 234.3 | 220.1 |
| Taxes on insurance | 322.2 | 196.3 | 185.1 |
| Other taxes, fees and fines | 190.9 | 107.3 | 119.4 |
| Total taxes, fees and fines | 7 726.8 | 4 481.3 | 4 164.0 |
| Other revenue | | | |
| Interest received | 113.3 | 17.6 | 29.5 |
| Royalties | 57.1 | 24.8 | 34.1 |
| Income from public trading and financial enterprises | 808.8 | 1 284.2 | 441.2 |
| Other state revenue | 82.6 | 47.8 | 26.8 |
| Total other revenue | 1 061.8 | 1 374.4 | 531.6 |
| Grants | | | |
| Grants received from Commonwealth | 5 963.0 | 3 396.1 | 3 222.4 |
| Commonwealth grants for on-passing | 832.5 | 423.4 | 615.0 |
| Total grants | 6 795.5 | 3 819.5 | 3 837.4 |
| Total revenue and grants received | 15 584.2 | 9 675.2 | 8 533.0 |
| Financing transactions | | | |
| Net advances from Commonwealth | 255.4 | 223.0 | 180.6 |
| Other net borrowing | -708.2 | -2 168.6 | -1 400.8 |
| Other, including changes in cash balances and investments | 107.8 | -810.8 | 598.3 |
| Total financing transactions | -344.9 | -3 202.7 | -983.1 |

¹ This monthly statement of budget sector transactions (Niemeyer Statement) is presented in *Government Finance Statistics* format.

Source: Treasurer of Victoria

| Period | Selected industries | | | Type of asset | | |
|---------------|---------------------|---------------|---------------------------|---------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| | Mining | Manufacturing | Other selected industries | Total | New buildings and structures | Equipment, plant, and machinery |
| | | | \$m | | | |
| ACTUAL | | | | | | |
| 1992-93 | 282 | 2 183 | 3 162 | 5 627 | 1 397 | 4 230 |
| 1993-94 | 441 | 2 657 | 3 933 | 7 031 | 1 485 | 5 546 |
| 1994-95 | 603 | 3 034 | 3 896 | 7 533 | 1 535 | 5 998 |
| 1993 - | | | | | | |
| September qtr | 91 | 623 | 1 032 | 1 746 | 404 | 1 342 |
| December qtr | 150 | 777 | 1 154 | 2 081 | 476 | 1 606 |
| 1994 - | | | | | | |
| March qtr | 114 | 546 | 823 | 1 483 | 294 | 1 189 |
| June qtr | 86 | 711 | 924 | 1 721 | 311 | 1 410 |
| September qtr | 138 | 749 | 1 018 | 1 905 | 289 | 1 617 |
| December qtr | 152 | 762 | 946 | 1 860 | 365 | 1 495 |
| 1995 - | | | | | | |
| March qtr | 139 | 726 | 901 | 1 765 | 342 | 1 424 |
| June qtr | 173 | 799 | 1 031 | 2 002 | 539 | 1 463 |
| September qtr | 136 | 804 | 1 131 | 2 071 | 553 | 1 519 |
| December qtr | 143 | 866 | 1 227 | 2 236 | 693 | 1 542 |
| EXPECTED | | | | | | |
| 1994-95 | 523 | 3 026 | 3 925 | 7 474 | 1 574 | 5 901 |
| 1995-96 | 610 | 3 657 | 4 330 | 8 598 | 2 329 | 6 268 |
| 1996-97 | 807 | 3 097 | 3 255 | 7 159 | 1 613 | 5 546 |

¹ The series in this table are now classified to the Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification (ANZSIC).

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COMMERCIAL FINANCE COMMITMENTS

| Fixed loan facilities | | | | | | | Type of lender | | | |
|-----------------------|--------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------|-------|---------|-----------------------------|-------------------|---------|-------------------|
| | Construction | Purchase of real property | Purchase of plant and equipment | Wholesale | Other | Total | Revolving credit facilities | Total commitments | Banks | All other lenders |
| Period | \$m | | | | | | | | | |
| 1994 – | | | | | | | | | | |
| October | 64.3 | 181.2 | 139.3 | 68.3 | 208.7 | 661.7 | 656.4 | 1 318.1 | 1 063.2 | 254.9 |
| November | 85.9 | 238.5 | 181.5 | 55.5 | 366.9 | 928.3 | 1 143.3 | 2 071.6 | 1 618.2 | 453.3 |
| December | 56.6 | 242.1 | 162.9 | 56.5 | 402.3 | 920.3 | 1 567.8 | 2 488.1 | 2 059.6 | 428.5 |
| 1995 – | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 79.1 | 149.1 | 119.4 | 44.8 | 227.2 | 619.7 | 1 139.6 | 1 759.3 | 1 352.1 | 407.1 |
| February | 41.0 | 175.6 | 138.4 | 55.6 | 248.5 | 659.1 | 675.0 | 1 334.2 | 1 040.1 | 294.0 |
| March | 82.7 | 223.5 | 170.3 | 94.9 | 253.6 | 825.1 | 1 198.7 | 2 023.7 | 1 593.2 | 430.6 |
| April | 68.3 | 215.0 | 124.1 | 60.0 | 241.0 | 708.6 | 1 606.0 | 2 314.6 | 1 610.2 | 704.3 |
| May | 190.1 | 222.5 | 156.5 | 118.7 | 280.1 | 967.9 | 1 347.6 | 2 315.5 | 1 950.9 | 364.6 |
| June | 79.8 | 254.1 | 213.1 | 91.4 | 483.4 | 1 121.9 | 2 297.4 | 3 419.3 | 2 155.4 | 1 263.9 |
| July | 72.1 | 227.2 | 156.6 | 79.0 | 383.1 | 918.2 | 1 527.3 | 2 445.4 | 2 050.4 | 395.0 |
| August | 123.6 | 277.5 | 171.8 | 97.9 | 318.3 | 989.4 | 1 926.4 | 2 915.8 | 2 431.9 | 484.0 |
| September | 76.2 | 213.3 | 162.0 | 65.9 | 505.4 | 1 022.9 | 1 746.4 | 2 769.3 | 2 318.4 | 450.9 |
| October | 142.7 | 207.8 | 155.7 | 78.6 | 396.2 | 980.9 | 1 445.2 | 2 426.1 | 1 990.0 | 436.1 |
| November | 83.2 | 270.2 | 177.8 | 73.3 | 733.6 | 1 338.0 | 1 447.5 | 2 785.5 | 2 462.5 | 322.9 |
| December | 99.9 | 201.0 | 170.6 | 158.2 | 591.2 | 1 220.9 | 3 384.6 | 4 605.5 | 3 035.6 | 1 570.0 |
| 1996 – | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 101.1 | 271.6 | 137.7 | 55.8 | 577.7 | 1 143.9 | 4 484.4 | 5 628.3 | 4 562.2 | 1 066.2 |
| February | 111.7 | 260.0 | 153.1 | 67.8 | 598.6 | 1 191.1 | 2 012.6 | 3 203.7 | 2 491.2 | 712.5 |
| March | 352.6 | 311.6 | 152.6 | 65.4 | 579.7 | 1 461.8 | 2 114.1 | 3 575.9 | 3 111.3 | 464.5 |

| Period | Original Series | | Seasonally Adjusted | | Trend Estimates | |
|-----------|-----------------|-----|---------------------|-----|-----------------|-----|
| | Dwelling units | \$m | Dwelling units | \$m | Dwelling units | \$m |
| 1994 - | | | | | | |
| August | 10 720 | 876 | 9 847 | 815 | 10 018 | 834 |
| September | 9 408 | 800 | 9 611 | 811 | 9 574 | 800 |
| October | 8 760 | 727 | 8 995 | 756 | 9 212 | 773 |
| November | 9 441 | 806 | 8 624 | 727 | 8 935 | 753 |
| December | 8 707 | 753 | 9 441 | 790 | 8 679 | 735 |
| 1995 - | | | | | | |
| January | 6 188 | 526 | 7 883 | 679 | 8 398 | 717 |
| February | 7 810 | 664 | 8 360 | 717 | 8 076 | 695 |
| March | 8 814 | 763 | 8 109 | 706 | 7 772 | 677 |
| April | 6 632 | 581 | 7 471 | 657 | 7 566 | 667 |
| May | 8 076 | 725 | 6 602 | 595 | 7 524 | 670 |
| June | 8 015 | 714 | 7 823 | 694 | 7 648 | 684 |
| July | 8 133 | 729 | 8 145 | 737 | 7 884 | 703 |
| August | 9 162 | 814 | 8 447 | 749 | 8 130 | 719 |
| September | 8 052 | 703 | 8 321 | 728 | 8 373 | 733 |
| October | 8 787 | 753 | 8 741 | 755 | 8 595 | 747 |
| November | 8 998 | 787 | 8 358 | 715 | 8 826 | 766 |
| December | 8 229 | 719 | 9 137 | 779 | 9 127 | 794 |
| 1996 - | | | | | | |
| January | 8 022 | 714 | 9 253 | 833 | 9 476 | 828 |
| February | 9 990 | 873 | 10 424 | 913 | 9 816 | 862 |
| March | 9 799 | 852 | 10 124 | 894 | 10 124 | 893 |

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RETAIL TURNOVER BY INDUSTRY (EXCLUDING MOTOR VEHICLES, PARTS, PETROL, ETC.)

| Month | Food retailing | Department stores | Clothing and soft good retailing | Household good retailing | Recreational good retailing | Other retailing | Hospitality and services | Total |
|-----------|----------------|-------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|---------|
| | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | \$m | | | |
| 1994 - | | | | | | | | |
| March | 875.1 | 189.2 | 157.1 | 243.2 | 100.8 | 177.1 | 272.5 | 2 015.0 |
| April | 810.8 | 197.0 | 165.7 | 222.7 | 94.1 | 168.8 | 263.2 | 1 922.3 |
| May | 804.4 | 212.1 | 165.6 | 242.2 | 101.9 | 178.8 | 261.7 | 1 966.7 |
| June | 812.9 | 210.8 | 146.3 | 251.4 | 103.0 | 174.0 | 259.2 | 1 957.6 |
| July | 836.4 | 169.9 | 148.9 | 250.1 | 112.3 | 183.3 | 277.3 | 1 978.2 |
| August | 831.8 | 182.2 | 138.7 | 255.0 | 119.7 | 191.6 | 278.6 | 1 997.6 |
| September | 854.4 | 202.8 | 141.8 | 249.7 | 114.1 | 192.8 | 290.2 | 2 045.8 |
| October | 887.1 | 215.2 | 152.6 | 251.0 | 121.0 | 212.5 | 307.0 | 2 146.4 |
| November | 878.4 | 223.1 | 156.0 | 266.4 | 130.7 | 219.9 | 313.4 | 2 187.9 |
| December | 1 070.8 | 418.7 | 236.8 | 348.7 | 196.9 | 305.2 | 355.8 | 2 932.9 |
| 1995 - | | | | | | | | |
| January | 885.5 | 165.1 | 154.2 | 258.2 | 119.1 | 179.5 | 295.3 | 2 056.9 |
| February | 851.0 | 152.0 | 127.1 | 238.4 | 112.2 | 185.0 | 271.7 | 1 937.4 |
| March | 922.8 | 188.2 | 145.7 | 265.4 | 118.1 | 208.9 | 304.7 | 2 153.8 |
| April | 902.1 | 215.7 | 166.5 | 241.9 | 115.1 | 207.4 | 292.4 | 2 141.1 |
| May | 905.9 | 211.6 | 153.2 | 268.7 | 129.1 | 219.5 | 292.6 | 2 180.6 |
| June | 897.6 | 209.9 | 151.5 | 276.1 | 128.7 | 203.8 | 292.8 | 2 160.4 |
| July | 914.0 | 197.2 | 150.2 | 270.2 | 137.1 | 199.7 | 286.4 | 2 154.8 |
| August | 944.3 | 197.8 | 138.9 | 263.1 | 137.6 | 214.2 | 283.0 | 2 178.9 |
| September | 942.5 | 195.3 | 138.2 | 264.2 | 129.8 | 212.6 | 294.2 | 2 176.8 |
| October | 959.3 | 203.0 | 151.8 | 280.4 | 130.6 | 217.0 | 287.2 | 2 229.3 |
| November | 982.0 | 246.8 | 157.9 | 288.1 | 144.1 | 225.3 | 309.2 | 2 353.4 |
| December | 1 130.6 | 436.7 | 224.1 | 384.2 | 232.2 | 327.3 | 351.5 | 3 086.6 |
| 1996 - | | | | | | | | |
| January | 975.5 | 187.4 | 147.8 | 274.7 | 165.7 | 183.9 | 303.9 | 2 238.9 |
| February | 965.4 | 169.2 | 118.8 | 252.2 | 137.5 | 183.1 | 270.9 | 2 097.1 |
| March | 1 004.2 | 189.4 | 139.0 | 271.9 | 131.4 | 193.0 | 300.4 | 2 229.3 |
| April | 997.7 | 220.1 | 157.9 | 266.5 | 124.5 | 187.0 | 300.9 | 2 254.6 |
| May | 1 031.9 | 224.2 | 157.5 | 289.0 | 129.4 | 200.4 | 294.6 | 2 327.0 |

| Section | 1994-95 | | 10 months ending Apr 1996 | |
|--|---------------|---------------|---------------------------|---------------|
| | Imports | Exports | Imports | Exports |
| | \$m | | | |
| 0 Food and live animals chiefly for food | 971 | 2 824 | 859 | 2 807 |
| 1 Beverages and tobacco | 182 | 75 | 135 | 80 |
| 2 Crude materials, inedible (except fuels) | 613 | 1 742 | 501 | 1 313 |
| 3 Mineral fuels, lubricants, and related materials | 503 | 441 | 540 | 543 |
| 4 Animal and vegetable oils, fats, and waxes | 75 | 84 | 73 | 87 |
| 5 Chemicals and related products, nec | 2 194 | 753 | 1 981 | 713 |
| 6 Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material | 3 909 | 2 229 | 3 271 | 1 951 |
| 7 Machinery and transport equipment | 10 436 | 2 077 | 9 121 | 2 158 |
| 8 Miscellaneous manufactured articles | 4 104 | 833 | 3 564 | 776 |
| 9 Commodities and transactions of merchandise trade, nec | 980 | 1 949 | 742 | 2 165 |
| Total | 23 967 | 13 007 | 20 786 | 12 575 |

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OVERSEAS TRADE, MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS¹

| Country | 1993-94 | | 1994-95 | | 10 months ending April 1996 | |
|--------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------------------|---------------|
| | Imports | Exports | Imports | Exports | Imports | Exports |
| | \$m | | | | | |
| Belgium-Luxembourg | 192 | 32 | 225 | 28 | 217 | 63 |
| Brazil | 132 | 37 | 167 | 60 | 148 | 47 |
| Canada | 292 | 148 | 430 | 110 | 394 | 84 |
| China | 1 415 | 481 | 1 576 | 560 | 1 463 | 518 |
| Fiji | 31 | 133 | 39 | 127 | 48 | 172 |
| Finland | 194 | 5 | 237 | 6 | 217 | 8 |
| France | 432 | 133 | 487 | 167 | 431 | 123 |
| Germany | 1 550 | 246 | 2 093 | 258 | 1 690 | 220 |
| Hong Kong | 209 | 532 | 205 | 563 | 206 | 676 |
| India | 171 | 107 | 224 | 115 | 202 | 101 |
| Indonesia | 324 | 242 | 335 | 267 | 332 | 297 |
| Italy | 594 | 186 | 718 | 259 | 673 | 205 |
| Japan | 3 779 | 2 177 | 3 987 | 1 852 | 2 919 | 1 642 |
| Korea, Republic of | 491 | 914 | 609 | 1 096 | 539 | 1 523 |
| Malaysia | 317 | 614 | 428 | 756 | 386 | 640 |
| Mexico | 48 | 110 | 55 | 61 | 44 | 25 |
| Netherlands | 199 | 32 | 229 | 43 | 193 | 44 |
| New Zealand | 1 024 | 1 099 | 1 191 | 1 241 | 1 023 | 1 297 |
| Pakistan | 83 | 41 | 86 | 30 | 59 | 74 |
| Papua New Guinea | 92 | 211 | 125 | 187 | 105 | 183 |
| Philippines | 49 | 256 | 105 | 284 | 92 | 279 |
| Saudi Arabia | 173 | 133 | 242 | 127 | 171 | 162 |
| Singapore | 404 | 1 128 | 494 | 1 339 | 466 | 999 |
| South Africa | 71 | 115 | 73 | 192 | 71 | 162 |
| Sweden | 408 | 22 | 495 | 39 | 509 | 59 |
| Switzerland | 250 | 29 | 302 | 58 | 228 | 39 |
| Taiwan | 747 | 522 | 811 | 629 | 650 | 543 |
| Thailand | 261 | 350 | 323 | 439 | 274 | 433 |
| United Kingdom | 1 229 | 339 | 1 365 | 365 | 1 244 | 296 |
| United States of America | 4 696 | 918 | 5 260 | 365 | 4 882 | 639 |
| Other and unknown | 913 | 1 038 | 1 052 | 940 | 910 | 1 022 |
| Total | 20 770 | 12 329 | 23 968 | 12 952 | 20 786 | 12 575 |

¹ The list of countries in this table reflects the volume of trade with Victoria. Information about Victoria's trade with other countries is available on request.

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- 13** }
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- 21** *Overseas Trade: Fasttraccs Database*
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As at June 1996.

Publication names and catalogue numbers are subject to revision or change.

| Period | Victoria | | | Australia | | |
|-----------|----------|---------|-------------------|-----------|----------------------------|-------------------|
| | Imports | Exports | Excess of exports | Imports | Exports (incl. re-exports) | Excess of exports |
| | \$m | | | | | |
| 1992-93 | 18 147 | 11 044 | -7 103 | 59 575 | 60 702 | +1 127 |
| 1993-94 | 20 770 | 12 349 | -8 421 | 64 470 | 64 548 | +78 |
| 1994-95 | 23 967 | 13 006 | -10 961 | 74 619 | 67 055 | -7 573 |
| 1994 - | | | | | | |
| December | 1 891 | 1 159 | -732 | 5 833 | 5 543 | -290 |
| 1995 - | | | | | | |
| January | 1 882 | 1 035 | -847 | 6 098 | 4 943 | -1 155 |
| February | 1 826 | 1 185 | -641 | 5 565 | 5 155 | -410 |
| March | 2 169 | 1 210 | -959 | 6 762 | 6 196 | -566 |
| April | 1 771 | 1 043 | -728 | 5 749 | 5 651 | -98 |
| May | 2 223 | 1 168 | -1 055 | 6 905 | 6 195 | -710 |
| June | 2 100 | 1 126 | -974 | 6 565 | 5 759 | -806 |
| July | 2 266 | 1 128 | -1 138 | 6 866 | 6 284 | -582 |
| August | 2 232 | 1 125 | -1 107 | 6 842 | 6 123 | -719 |
| September | 1 996 | 1 150 | -846 | 6 280 | 6 258 | -22 |
| October | 2 157 | 1 206 | -951 | 6 950 | 6 254 | -696 |
| November | 2 050 | 1 240 | -810 | 6 734 | 6 002 | -732 |
| December | 1 936 | 1 412 | -524 | 6 157 | 6 808 | -638 |
| 1996 - | | | | | | |
| January | 2 053 | 1 197 | -856 | 6 539 | 5 968 | -571 |
| February | 1 960 | 1 295 | -665 | 6 202 | 6 018 | -184 |
| March | 2 058 | 1 454 | -604 | 6 273 | 6 856 | +583 |
| April | 2 079 | 1 368 | -711 | 6 446 | 6 202 | +244 |

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TOURIST ACCOMMODATION, MELBOURNE AND VICTORIA

| Period | Hotels, motels, etc. with facilities | | | | Short-term caravan parks | | | |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------|---------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| | No. of establishments | Capacity | Room | Takings from | No. of establishments | Capacity | Site | Takings from |
| | | (No. of guest rooms) | occupancy rates | accommodation | | (No. of sites and cabins) | occupancy rates | accommodation |
| | | | % | \$'000 | | | % | \$'000 |
| MELBOURNE STATISTICAL DIVISION | | | | | | | | |
| 1994 - | | | | | | | | |
| March qtr | 241 | 14 824 | 60 | 80 798 | 49 | 5 417 | 59 | 1 801 |
| June qtr | 242 | 14 830 | 57 | 73 416 | 50 | 5 442 | 47 | 1 147 |
| September qtr | 238 | 14 721 | 59 | 79 369 | 54 | 5 742 | 45 | 1 716 |
| December qtr | 240 | 14 843 | 66 | 93 034 | 53 | 5 709 | 55 | 2 012 |
| 1995 - | | | | | | | | |
| March qtr | 240 | 14 905 | 68 | 94 245 | 53 | 5 694 | 59 | 2 055 |
| June qtr | 242 | 14 315 | 63 | 86 538 | 53 | 5 734 | 47 | 1 364 |
| September qtr | 241 | 14 359 | 66 | 97 625 | 53 | 5 728 | 45 | 1 854 |
| December qtr | 242 | 14 513 | 71 | 103 964 | 53 | 5 730 | 51 | 2 242 |
| 1996 - | | | | | | | | |
| March qtr | 243 | 14 520 | 71 | 110 002 | 53 | 5 730 | 59 | 2 209 |
| TOTAL VICTORIA | | | | | | | | |
| 1994 - | | | | | | | | |
| March qtr | 1 017 | 29 988 | 51 | 115 454 | 441 | 54 052 | 45 | 17 183 |
| June qtr | 1 018 | 29 968 | 48 | 105 846 | 441 | 53 971 | 38 | 10 268 |
| September qtr | 1 003 | 29 680 | 48 | 113 668 | 438 | 53 831 | 35 | 10 602 |
| December qtr | 1 006 | 29 892 | 53 | 127 072 | 436 | 53 377 | 40 | 14 503 |
| 1995 - | | | | | | | | |
| March qtr | 1 003 | 29 973 | 56 | 131 900 | 435 | 53 307 | 47 | 17 781 |
| June qtr | 1 016 | 29 543 | 51 | 120 636 | 434 | 53 195 | 39 | 10 670 |
| September qtr | 1 009 | 29 504 | 52 | 135 286 | 438 | 53 825 | 40 | 10 730 |
| December qtr | 1 015 | 29 798 | 56 | 140 332 | 438 | 54 001 | 40 | 16 035 |
| 1996 - | | | | | | | | |
| March qtr | 1 019 | 29 891 | 58 | 150 879 | 438 | 53 918 | 47 | 19 178 |

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